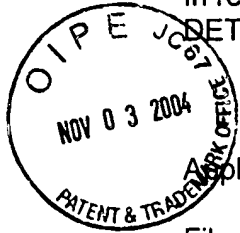


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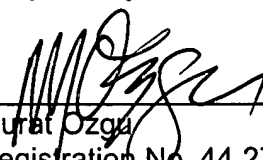
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A Resubmission of Information Disclosure Statement with copies of the Information Disclosure Statement and Form PTO-1449 filed June 10, 2004 was filed in the above-captioned patent application on September 15, 2004. Applicants have not yet received a copy of the Form PTO-1449 initialed by the Examiner to acknowledge the cited disclosed information was considered by the Examiner. The Examiner is requested to initial and return to the undersigned a copy of the subject Form PTO-1449. For the convenience of the Examiner, a copy of that form is attached.

Should there be any questions concerning this communication, please telephone the undersigned attorney at the telephone number set forth below. Please charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 01-2300.

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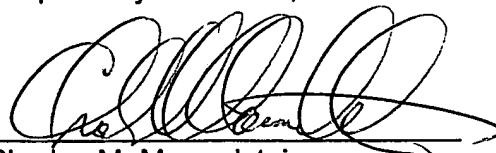
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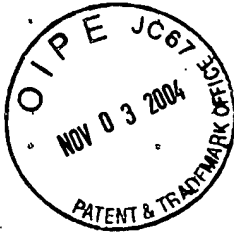
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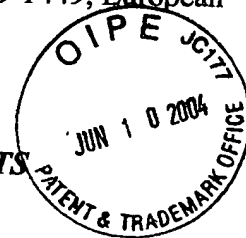
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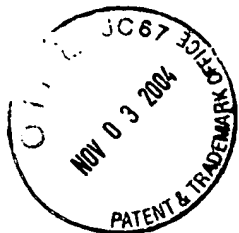
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Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.56, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the information items listed on the attached PTO-1449. Unless otherwise indicated herein, one copy of each item is attached. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the items be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

- ☐ 1. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed (a) within three months of the U.S. filing date, OR (b) before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits in the present application, OR (c) accompanies a Request for Continued Examination. No certification or fee is required.
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